build-up due to slowing down of sales on account of steep increase in prices after decontrol of phosphatic fertilizers.

391. *[Transferred to 5th May,* 1993]

Manufacture of Glucose Saline

392. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Govern-mnt controlled firms are licenced to manufacture Glucose Saline, if so, the names of the companies;

(b) whether Government have fixed prices for the wholesalers|distributors and retailers of the glucose saline; if so, what are the company-wise, category-wise de-tails of the prices;

(c) whether it is a fact that these prices vary from State to State; and

(d) if so, the tenons therefor *1*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Two Public Sector Undertakings under the Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers are engaged in the manufacture of I. V. Fluids. These are Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd., Pimpri, Pune and Bengal Immunity Limited, Calcutta.

(b) Glucose Saline *is* not price-controlled. The manufacturers fix the price themselves.

(c) and (d)' The two Public Sectors - companies, namely, Hindustan Antibio-tics Ltd. and Bengal Immunity Ltd., follow uniform price structure for the whole of the country. However, the rates quoted against tenders /enquiries may vary from State to State on commercial considerations depending on the volume of business, payment terms etc.

Antibiotics under/outside price control

393. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :

SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to slate :

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the antibiotics which are produced in the country are under price control whereas most of the antibiotics which are imported are outside the price control;

(b) what are names of the antibiotics under the outside price control and what was sales, turnover of each during the last three years; yearwise,

(c) whether it is also a fact that this is being done to deplete country's foreign exchange by enabling the multinationals to import at high prices from their holding companies abroad or their connected sources;

(d) whether any study of such cases has been carried out and if so, what are the findings thereof;

(e) what are the details of such antibiotics which are exclusively imported but have been kept outside the price control; and

(f) what are their import and its value during the last two years including 1992-93 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details of ' antibiotics which are under price control are given in Statement-I Other antibiotics cleared by Drug Controller (India) from time to time are outside price control.